Application No. 10/814,258 Inventor: Takashi ITO Preliminary Amendment

## **REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

Favorable consideration of this application as presently amended and in light of the following discussion is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-20 are pending in the present application. Claims 11, 18, and 20 are amended by the present amendment to correct minor informalities. It is believed no new matter is added.

Accordingly, an action on the merits is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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